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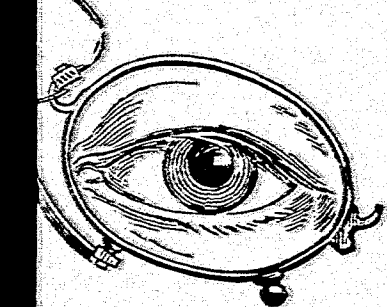
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BUSINESS SPECIALS.

Under this head business notices inserted for ten cents per line. Seven words to the line. New cloth hats at Foster's.

Remnant sale at Thomas Smiley's.

Fashionable, new, spring hats at F. H. Noyes', Blue Store.

Thomas Smiley is holding a special sale to clear the stock for spring goods.

50c down and 50c a week buys a Quaker Range at Hobbs' Variety store.

Mackintoshes at low prices, Foster.

Boards wanted, Mrs. Dean, corner of Main and Whitman streets, Norway.

Bargains in winter goods at F. H. Noyes', Blue Store. You never could buy suits, fur coats, over coats, ulsters, underwear, overalls, etc., as cheap as now.

Money saved in buying now.

Dry goods at a discount for two weeks at Thomas Smiley's.

Winter caps at cost at Foster's.

If you want your eyes examined and glasses fitted call at Cole's jewelry store.

Examination free. Cole the optician.

Read Hills' ad.

Money saved on underwear at Foster's.

Patch-work pieces, 25 cents a bundle at Thomas Smiley's.

Will be at Cole's jewelry store for a short time. If you have any trouble with your eyes call and have them ex-

amined, free of charge. H. D. Cole, optician.

Wanted a girl to do general house-

work. Good wages paid. Inquire of S. B. & Z. S. Prince, Norway. Stf

Hills, the optician, would like to have his friends in Oxford County notify him whenever a traveling optician calls on them.

Warrant for Town Meeting.

STATE OF MAINE.

To F. W. Sanborn, a citizen of the town of Norway, in the County of Oxford and State of Maine, GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhab-

itants of said town of Norway, to assemble by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, to wit, the Norway Opera House, in said town of Norway, on the seventh day of March next, at ten o'clock in the fore-

noon, to act upon the following articles, to wit:

ART. I. To choose a Moderator to preside over said meeting.

ART. II. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensu-

ing year.

ART. III. To choose a Board of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, a Town

Trustee, Town Agent, a Superintendent of Schools Committee, to consist of three members, two Trustees of the Norway Public Library, and all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year, with the exception of a Superintendent of Schools and a Town Engineer.

ART. IV. To see what per cent. the town will vote to pay for collecting taxes for the year en-

suing.

ART. V. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the extinguishment of the town debt.

ART. VI. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of common schools for the ensuing year.

ART. VII. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

ART. VIII. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay interest charges for the ensuing year.

ART. IX. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of free text books and school supplies and appliances for the ensuing year.

ART. X. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of schoolhouses, and for insurance upon school property for the ensuing year.

ART. XI. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the repairs of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

ART. XII. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise to pay snow-breaking bills for the winter of 1897 and 1898.

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ART. XIV. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support and maintenance of the Norway Public Library for the ensuing year.

ART. XV. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.

ART. XVI. To see if the town will grant and raise the sum of fifty dollars for Memorial Day observance for the ensuing year.

ART. XVII. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise the sum of six hundred dollars to meet abatement for the ensuing year.

ART. XVIII. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise a sum of money not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purchase of a sewerage system for Norway village, and to choose a committee to superintend the same and make a report to the town at a future meeting.

ART. XIX. To see what sum of money the town will grant and raise for a contingent fund for the ensuing year.

ART. XX. To choose a Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.

ART. XXI. To establish the price per day that the Road Commissioner shall receive for his services.

ART. XXII. To see if the town will vote to authorize its School Committee to unite with the School Committee of Committees of some other town or towns in employing a Superintendent of Schools as provided by Chapter 236 of the Public Laws of the State of Maine for the year 1897.

ART. XXIII. To choose a Superintendent of Schools for the ensuing year.

ART. XXIV. To fix upon the compensation the Superintendent of Schools shall receive for his services.

ART. XXV. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on all taxes remaining unpaid after a certain date, to designate what rate of interest shall be charged and fix the date.

ART. XXVI. To see if the town will vote to allow Samuel P. Frost his taxes if he shall keep the road in suitable condition of repair that leads from his house by the house of Mason F. Frost, to the main road.

ART. XXVII. To see if the town will vote to purchase one or more of the winter road-machines manufactured by James L. Holden at a price of fifty dollars each.

ART. XXVIII. To see if the town will vote to accept the town way laid out by the selectmen on petition of J. P. Foster, who is now commencing on the line of the highway near the buildings of Albert Richardson, and running in an easterly direction across land of said Richardson and that of Mrs. Charles L. Fogg, to the road leading from Norway village to Alliston neighborhood, and provide money for the construction of the said way.

ART. XXIX. To see if the town will vote to accept the town way known as Danforth street, as laid out by the selectmen on petition of C. F. Lord and others, commencing at the north-easterly line of Main street and ending at the south-westerly side line of Beal street.

ART. XXX. To see if the town will vote to discontinue so much of the old road leading over the ledge near the schoolhouse in what was formerly District No. 1, as runs from a point at the northerly side of the entrance to Nathan W. Miller's pasture to the point where the new road, built in the year 1896, intersects the said old road, being nearly opposite the schoolhouse hereto mentioned.

ART. XXXI. To see if the town will vote to continue the schools in Districts No. 2 and 10, or either of them, for the ensuing year.

ART. XXXII. To see if the town will vote to fix upon an official title or name for the Hall where town meetings are held.

ART. XXXIII. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the selectmen, clerk and treasurer.

ART. XXXIV. To see if the town will vote to give George P. Currier the privilege of crossing the corner of the High School yard in going from his home to the street, leading to the dwelling of William S. Fingree, without any claim being made for damages.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Assessors' Office for the purpose of receiving names and correcting the list of voters, on the 31st day of March, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of February, A. D. 1898.

D. S. SANBORN, } Selectmen
E. E. WITT, }
V. E. DUNN, } Norway.

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The Clerks' Ball.

On the 18th the clerks of Norway gave their fourth annual ball, at the Norway Opera House. Although the followers of the "light fantastic" at divers hours during the year, it remains for the Clerks' Ball to be the *par excellence*, the *crème-de-la-creme*, the Bradley Martin affair, the most enjoyable time of them all. This was evinced by the large and representative gathering on Friday evening.

The hall was becomingly decorated with bunting in the national colors. The red, white and blue streamers were stretched from the central chandelier to the gallery posts, while shields in the same colors adorned the walls below; all capped by a stunning red lettered arch over the stage, bidding you welcome to the time of all times, the swell of social hops of the year.

Stearns & Norsworthy's Orchestra, assisted by violinist Given of Portland, eight pieces in all, rendered their usual excellent music. From the well filled galleries above a pleasing scene was afforded the spectator. The music, decorations, lights, flowers, beauty, fashion and manly grace—all helped to form a kaleidoscope of pleasing effects that were woven in and out, an ever changing picture of refinement and jollity.

"Where all the world was young, lad, and all the year was green." For we are all young at the Clerks' Ball, and gray hairs are but a coincident, not an indication of years.

At 8:30 the orchestra struck up for the march and circle, led by floor manager, James N. Faver and Annie Abbott. Forty-three couples formed on, which number grew to about sixty before the evening was far advanced, fifteen couples being from Auburn, South and West Paris, Bethel, Lewiston and many other adjoining places were well represented. There were seventeen numbers on the order; after the eighth, during the intermission, refreshments were served in the hall.

Here are some of the toilettes of the evening:

Mrs. C. F. Ridlon, Norway, lavender and white tulle, lace trimmings.

Mrs. B. W. Wood, Norway, heliotrope cashmere, pearl trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. A. N. Record, Norway, yellow silk, black trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. H. B. Foster, Norway, pink organdie muslin.

Mrs. Asa Swift, Norway, black, red chiffon trimmings.

Mrs. Walter Stearns, Norway, yellow silk waist, black skirt, pinks.

Mrs. Arthur Norsworthy, Norway, black satin, pinks.

Mrs. Hattie Heston, Norway, black, blue satin trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. Geo. P. Locke, Norway, white, brocaded fancy front, lace and ribbon trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. Geo. W. Devine, Norway, white organdie, white satin trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. M. W. Sampson, Norway, white organdie, white ribbon trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. C. S. Akers, Norway, light waist, black skirt.

Helen Mae Fauce, Norway, Nile green cashmere, pink chiffon and ribbon trimmings, pinks.

Miss C. W. Currier, Norway, white silk, pinks.

Laura E. Hill, Norway, black muslin, over Nile green, green trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. H. C. Faragard, Norway, white muslin with lace, pinks.

Jessie Lila Dinsmore, Norway, cream henrietta, red satin, lace trimmings, pinks.

Agnes Tucker, Norway, white muslin with blue ribbon, pinks.

Anne Ma Cole, Norway, white muslin, cherry ribbons, pinks and asparagus.

Mertie French, Norway, pink cashmere, black velvet trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. Libby, Norway, white with satin ribbon, pinks.

Grace L. Fauce, Norway, green and white muslin, pink sash, pinks.

Gertrude Gardner, Norway, green and white organdie, chiffon, ribbon and pearl trimmings, pinks and sash.

Susie R. Barker, Norway, white, trimmed with lace and satin ribbon, pinks.

Hattie Cragin, Norway, corn color organdie, chiffon trimmings, pinks.

Virgie Kilgore, Norway, white muslin, cherry ribbons, pinks.

Annie Abbott, Norway, white muslin, pink chiffon trimmings, pinks.

Gertrude Jordan, Norway, white organdie muslin, pinks.

Mary Hatch, Norway, white muslin, pinks.

Maud Sylvester, Norway, pink waist, black skirt.

Mrs. H. G. Foss, Auburn, yellow silk, trimmed with black velvet and liberty silk, diamonds, roses.

Mrs. John Horne, Auburn, light blue silk, white trimmings, diamonds.

Mrs. M. Moore, Auburn, black satin skirt and blue silk waist, pinks and diamonds.

Mrs. G. P. Emmons, Lewiston, black silk, white trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. Nellie Frost, Bethel, gray silk, white satin trimmings, pinks.

Mrs. Bert Andrews, South Paris, white organdie muslin over pink.

Mrs. Albert D. Park, South Paris, white muslin and lace, Paris tourmaline, carnations.

Miss Norris, South Paris, Blue silk, chiffon trimmings, roses.

Eva M. Austin, Norway, white muslin, tulle silk trimmings, carnation pinks.

Floor manager, James N. Faver, aids and reception committee, Mrs. C. F. Ridlon, Anne Ma Cole, Mrs. M. W. Sampson, B. W. Wood, C. S. Akers, Geo. W. Devine, A. N. Record, F. W. Fauce.

Have your watch repaired by Hills. "Good work costs no more."

New stock of woollens and worsteds just received at F. H. Noyes', Blue Store.

Best line we have ever shown. We want to make you a suit or a pair of pants. We can please you sure. Custom tailoring is receiving our careful attention.

NORWAY AND VICINITY.

H. Denison Cole from Davis, West Virginia, is at his father's, Horace Cole's.

Oxford County Advertiser.

FEBRUARY 25, 1898, NORWAY AND SOUTH PARIS, MAINE.

Supreme Judicial Court.

The case of Jesse E. Fuller vs. Edwin Howard resulted in a verdict for the defendant.

The case of Ackroyd vs. Decker was not suited.

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WAY, MAINE.

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term of the present incumbent expires about the first of August.

Revs. H. A. Pease and D. B. Holt made an unsuccessful attempt to return to Bridgton with their team, last Friday. They worked their way as far as Wild. Holt's in Greenwood, where they put up for dinner, and returned to Bethel to stop the first night. They started again, Saturday morning, and as they have not been heard from since it is expected they got through.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday of this week has been an unbroken storm, the last six inches being heavy hail. Our snow record thus far is as follows:—On Jan. 31st, there was about three and one-half feet of snow in the woods that had fallen during the month; and since February came in we have had three storms as follows, on the 1st, 30 inches; on 16th and 17th, 18 inches; and our last one not over at this writing, 18 inches.

C. C. Lovejoy of Andover was in town, Saturday.

George G. King was at home from Berlin, Sunday.

Greenleaf Emery of Rigby visited his sons in this place, last Saturday.

Judge E. E. Chase of Bluehill visited his sister, Mrs. A. E. Herrick, last week.

Mrs. Fred Chandler and children of South Paris visited their Bethel relatives, last week.

The annual prize speaking of Gould Academy students will take place in Odeon Hall, Friday evening.

Mrs. Ira C. Jordan and Miss E. E. Burnham were the Bethel delegates to the W. R. C. Department meeting in Augusta, last week.

The Methodist Sunday School has elected Mrs. Ada Durell, Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, Mrs. Leona Morrill, Addie Gordon and Ada Coburn delegates to the Little Androscoggin Valley Sunday School Association convention to be held at Norway, next Wednesday.

Town Reports—1897-8.

NORWAY.—Resident real estate, \$816,080.00; non-resident real estate, 62,776.00; resident personal property, 221,041.00; non-resident personal property, 9,220.00; total valuation, 1,110,067.00; number of polls, 315. Money tax rate, \$15.50 per 1,000.00; labor tax, money 2.00; labor, 1.50; total commitment, money 18,927.03; labor, 5,120.83. Expenses: Paupers, \$2,055.70; debt and interest, 2,270.00; common schools, 6,515.00; high school, 750.00; snow bills, \$28.84; highways, cash 2,031.40; labor tax apportioned the several districts, 5,120.83; salaries, 1,425.22; text books, 504.20; schoolhouse repairs, 392.00; library, 474.00; Memorial day, 50.00; miscellaneous, 1,813.70; state tax, 3,300.95; county tax, 2,047.11.

BETHEL.—Resident real estate, \$553,034.00; non-resident real estate, 68,210.00; resident personal property, 174,793.00; non-resident personal property, 2,173.00; total valuation, 798,220.00; number of polls, 518. Money tax rate, .014; labor tax rate, .0025; poll tax, money 2.00, labor 1.00; total money commitment, 12,345.67. Expenses: Paupers, \$1,427.60; Pleasant River bridge, 1,070.50; Memorial day, 49.00; library, 50.00; new road, 345.00; salaries, 1,024.45; highways, 924.76; schools, 2,927.19; text books, 149.76; schoolhouse repairs, 172.88; miscellaneous, 548.08. Liqueurage profits, 251.54; state tax, 2,810.73; county tax, 1,438.40.

HEBRON.—Real estate, \$150,615.00; personal property, \$3,640.00; total valuation, 158,261.00; number of polls, 128. Tax rate, .0215; commitment, 4,647.12. Orders drawn: Schools, \$866.00; school books, 15.18; schoolhouse repair, 320.67; highways, 1,417.17; paupers, 352.16; salaries, 337.50; miscellaneous, 100.93; state tax, 907.90; county tax, 377.00.

HARRISON.—Resident real estate, \$264,520.00; non-resident real estate, 35,900.00; resident personal property, 67,237.00; non-resident personal property, 1,760.00; number of taxable polls, 311. Property tax rate, .015; poll tax, 2.50; commitment, 6,888.70.

Expenses: Town farm, \$210.17; salaries, 320.65; highways, 1,617.14; schools, 2,088.32; schoolhouse repair, 68.49; schoolbooks, 15.00; state tax, 1,105.25; county tax, 518.95.

OXFORD.—Resident real estate, \$500,801.00; non-resident real estate, 55,440.00; resident personal property, 74,062.00; non-resident personal property, 2,548.00; number of polls, 248. Money tax rate, .017; labor tax rate, .004; poll tax, 2.00.

Expenses: Schools, \$2,264.93; high school, 512.50; schoolhouse repairs, school supplies, etc., 495.14; town farm deficit, 3.15; other paupers, 810.22; highways, 626.01; Memorial day, 25.00; library, 50.00; debt and interest, 1,281.50; road machine shed, 144.00; salaries and miscellaneous, 1,825.03; state tax, 1,213.98; county tax, 72.04.

LIABILITIES. \$1,049.19; resources, 7,447.71; net liabilities, 3,668.48; decrease of liabilities during year, 1,188.71.

ORISFIELD.—Resident real estate, \$160,010.00; non-resident real estate, 29,160.00; personal property, 35,787.00; total, 224,957.00; number of polls, 220. Money tax commitment, \$4,709.22; labor tax commitment, 2,014.60.

Expenses: Town farm, \$214.21; poor off farm, 472.18; schools, 1,811.96; highways, 535.35; salaries, 874.45; miscellaneous, 591.28; state tax, 734.61; county tax, 344.00.

LIABILITIES. \$2,490.60; resources, 2,710.87; balance in town's favor, 220.27.

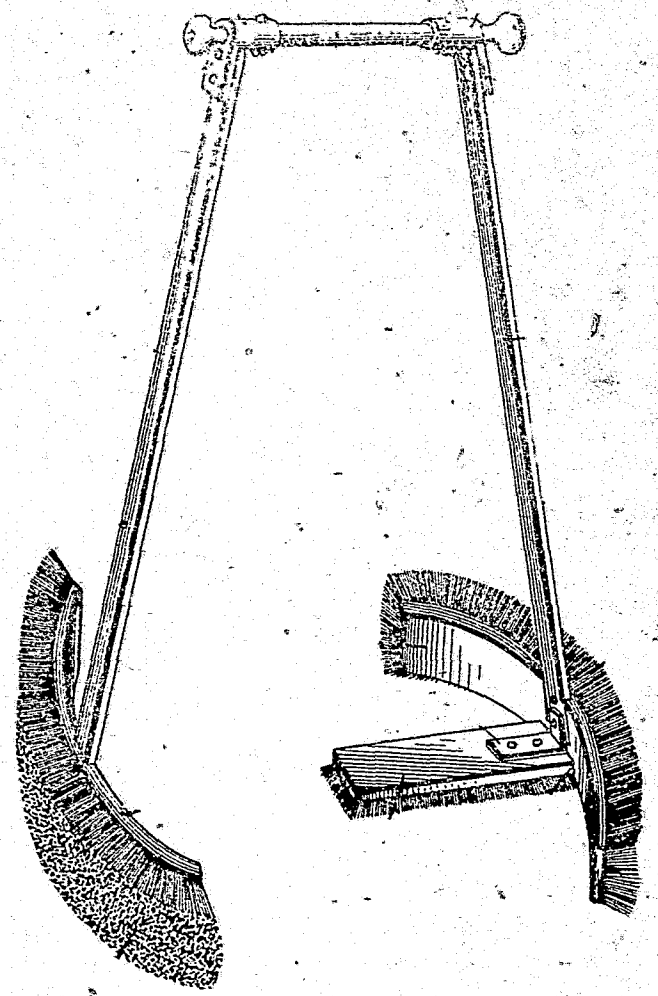
CASCO.—Resident real estate, \$134,720.00; non-resident real estate, 34,480.00; resident personal property, 29,106.00; non-resident personal property, 1,960.00; total valuation, 240,996.00; number of polls, 226. Property tax rate, .013; poll tax, 2.50. Total assessment, 3,799.47.

Expenses: Schools, \$1,694.25; paupers, 510.44; new schoolhouse, 515.40; care of schoolhouses, 14.25; schoolbooks, 101.59; schoolhouse repair, 33.50; highway, 370.50; highways, 390.01; salaries, 262.25; miscellaneous, 178.14; county tax, 343.24.

LIABILITIES with state tax, \$3,787.00; resources, 4,808.01; balance in town's favor, 721.01.

Strongly Recommended.

Auburn, Me., Feb. 10th, 1893. It is remarkable how many times I have found this medicine in the hands of the people who are so enthusiastic in their praise of Hood's Sarsaparilla. This medicine wins friends in every family where it is given a fair trial. Mr. Rufus Parker of this place states that he has taken it for a run down condition of the system and for distress after eating, and it has given him relief.



The French Patent Barrel Cleaner.

This useful contrivance is the invention of E. O. French, esq., of North Norway, who has recently received a patent on it. It will almost instantly clean a barrel of dust and dirt. It adjusts itself to the internal surface of any barrel, and will clean the bottom as quickly as the side.

Those who have tried them speak in high terms of what it will do.

Permanent School Fund.

As there are so very many who are unacquainted with the origin of the permanent school fund, we think it would be of interest, to them at least, should we devote some space to an explanation. The reservation of 1,000 acres of land in every township, commonly known as school lands, comes from an old regulation of Massachusetts in 1783 enacted while Maine was still a part of that Commonwealth.

At that time our State was known as the District of Maine, and was divided into the counties of York, Cumberland and Lincoln. The unsettled portions of the territory were commonly referred to by the Massachusetts legislature as the "Eastern Lands."

In order to encourage the settlement of these "Eastern Lands" the legislature of Massachusetts in 1783 enacted a law providing that in the disposition of all towns thereafter, four lots, of 320 acres each, should be reserved for certain purposes in each and every township, whether sold or granted.

The purposes for which these lots were reserved were as follows:—The first was "for the first settled minister" in the township and was known as the "minister lot." The second was for the "use of the ministry" and known as the "ministerial lot." The third was for the support of the common schools in that township and became known as the "school lot," while the fourth was reserved "for the future disposition of the State," and was known as the "State lot."

By the articles of separation of 1820, when we became an independent state, it was provided that Maine should carry out all the regulations regarding the sale and settlement of the wild lands, embraced in the plan originally adopted by Massachusetts, unless the consent of that State was obtained for any change in policy.

Consequently for several years after Maine became a State, in the sale or grants of all Maine towns for whatever purpose, these several lots were reserved in accordance with the plan adopted in 1783. In 1832 Maine changed the law providing for the disposition of these lots for various purposes, to take effect when Massachusetts consented to the new arrangement.

By the new law the minister's claim was ignored except in cases where the title had become vested; for by the new provision all the land reserved in each new township (the acreage having been previously changed to 1,000 for each full township) was to be for the support of the schools in that township.

The fund created by the sale of grass and timber from these lots, together with the money received for the land itself, was to be a permanent fund for the benefit of the schools. The selectmen, treasurer and clerk of the several towns were constituted a board of trustees to care for this fund, using the interest only, for the purposes indicated in several towns of the State this fund is still kept intact and the interest is added each year to the funds derived from other sources for the support of schools. In other towns, in order to simplify matters, the money was loaned to the town and these towns raise, in addition to the amounts required by law, a sum equivalent to the interest on this fund.

No town has ever had the right to appropriate its permanent school fund to any use except to that for which it was originally intended. The law provides that this fund shall be permanent forever and every town has accepted this obligation, and towns that have failed to meet these obligations should restore the funds that have been misapplied.

These funds belong to the public schools of the several towns, and if any towns have intentionally or carelessly allowed them to be lost or misapplied, the loss must be made good and the fund restored to its original amount.

EAST HIRAM.—Lizzie E. Burnell returned home, last Saturday, having taught ten weeks at South Hiram.

The Dramatic Club played the drama lately presented in Hiram at Denmark, last Thursday evening, with good success. The concert given by A. F. Clark's singing school of Hiram, at Pythian Hall East Hiram, Tuesday evening, Feb. 15, was well attended in spite of the storm, and much enjoyed by all. Several of the selections were heartily encored. There were solos by A. Hubbard Ralph Seavey, W. McKenney, Etta Mayo, Alice Butterfield, Arthur Sadler, Misses Knight and Hatch and Mr. Woodman, besides duets, quartets and a chorus of thirty-five voices, also reading by Nan-Rankin.

EAST WATERFORD.—WATERFORD PLAINS.—E. C. Rogers has his camp completed and moved his family in, last Saturday. It is on the Russell lot where he is at work.

Mrs. C. Giles is quite poorly. Mrs. Lucinda Bisbee has a cow that has a very pretty pair of twin bosses.

Road Commissioner.

The following is the law in regard to Road Commissioners:

Section 4. Each town at its annual meeting shall elect, by ballot, a road commissioner who shall have charge of the repairs of all highways and bridges within the town and shall have authority to employ the necessary men and teams, and purchase timber, plank and other material for the repair of highways and bridges. Said commissioner shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of his duty, give bonds to the satisfaction of the selectmen, and be responsible to them for the expenditure of money, and discharge of his duties generally. The compensation of said commissioner shall be such sum as the town shall annually vote therefor, which sum shall in no case be less than two dollars per day, of every day of actual service, and he shall render to the selectmen monthly statements of his expenditures, and receive no money from the treasury only on the order of the selectmen.

Section 5. No person can, at the same time, hold the office of road commissioner and selectman.

Section 6. Seventy-five per cent of the highway taxes assessed shall be expended upon the highways prior to the fifteenth day of July, and the balance at such time as the commissioner deems for the best good of the public.

Section 8. Said commissioner shall keep accurate accounts, showing in detail, all moneys paid out by him, to whom and for what purpose; he shall settle his accounts on or before the twentieth day of February, annually, and the same shall be reported in the annual town report in detail.

DENMARK.

Elmore Swan is some better.

Augustine Ingalls is drawing shoo to Brownfield.

Excitement runs high over the fate of the war ship "Maine."

Ernest Ingalls has bought a car load of hay and is drawing it home.

They commenced work, Tuesday this week, making cans in the corn shop.

The lecture of Rev. Mr. Abbott of Fryeburg was postponed on account of the storm till Wednesday evening of this week.

A. H. Witham has put into his store one of the National Computing Scales. It is a fine thing and does its work wonderfully.

Fred Sanborn has been putting his birch near the shore of Moose pond, but there is so much water on the pond that he can't draw it now.

A. D. Fessenden, Chas. McIntire and Geo. Orcutt tried to log across the Grand and Sand ponds, last week, but had to give it up till it had frozen more.

The Hiram Lodge of K. P. played their two dramas, The Broken Bonds and the Deacons' Tribulations at Odd Fellows Hall, last week Thursday evening, and they are to repeat it, this week Wednesday evening. It takes.

This is Certainly a Wonderful Chance.

We are aware that our people who suffer from nervous, chronic or long-standing complaints, do not have the same opportunity to be cured as do the residents of the great cities where the most eminent physicians and specialists reside.

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WEST MINOT.—Mrs. Matilda Dimock is quite sick with rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Dimock were in Auburn, Friday.

James Thomas is at Hebron Station learning telegraphy.

Mrs. Charles Everett of Berlin, N. H., is visiting in this place.

Eva DeCosta of Hebron Station spent Sunday with Mrs. F. M. Young.

Belle Keane of Hebron has been spending a few days at F. E. Rowe's.

W. G. Page returned, Saturday, from fishing trip to Thompson Pond.

Mrs. E. P. Attwood of Auburn visited her brother, Fred Dimock, Saturday.

West Minot grange had a very interesting meeting, Saturday evening. It was the last of the contest meetings between the brothers and sisters. A large number of visitors from other granges were present and through the literary exercises the meeting was public. The sisters scored the most points.

BUCKFIELD.

There was a dancing school sprouted by Mr. Hall, a few nights since.

A neighbor just came in saying it was the first time that he had to shovel to get into a neighbor's house. He got his milk.

No curtains needed, windows snowed up. This puts an embargo on the dogs for the 22d, also the minstrels for the 25th.

Bound to the house nursing a cough, not even allowed to "bask" in the beautiful snow is a poor place from which to gather locals.

C. S. Childs, butcher, furnished two pigs for Record to feed. Record cares for them and pays one-half the cost of feed. When slaughtered the combined weight was about 500 lbs. Pigs reckoned at \$1.25, each added to cash paid for feed, \$1; for butcher cost per lb. 3 4-5 cts., cost to Record, 2 2-3 cts. per lb.

A Bad Fire.—Sunday, at about 6 p. m., Irish Bros' die block mill was discovered in flames. There was no saving it. It was a brick structure built originally for a starch factory, used many years for the manufacture of shovel handles and carding mill.

It is a loss to be regretted by the community, as well as for the proprietors, it being a public benefit in giving employment, as well as in other directions. The kiln dried lumber in the mill, manufactured, would have brought \$1000.

A horse and hog were barely saved. Friday, previous to the burning, \$1000 insurance was placed upon the building, which they had previously carried at their own risk.

The hand till did good service in protecting C. B. Tuttle's and Abel Irish's houses.

Rumor says they will rebuild.

FRANKLIN PLANTATION.

Mrs. Ann Thornton, wife of the late Owen Thornton, died on Tuesday evening at 8.30 p. m., Feb. 15th, at the age of 69 years, 10 months and 4 days, at her own home, with her only son, T. H. Thornton, our well known and popular newspaper correspondent. Mrs. Thornton has been a great sufferer for the past five years, having been confined to her bed since December, 1891, with nervous prostration and chronic dyspepsia. Mrs. Thornton was a woman of rare accomplishments and lovely character, of a kind hearted, loving, generous disposition. She was widely known throughout the region where she has made her home for the past thirty-five years. She was universally respected by all who knew her gentle ways. She has been failing greatly in health for the past few months. Although not unexpected, her death was a severe blow to her only son, who has been uniting in careful attention to her comfort and welfare, since her sickness. Her body was taken in charge and care by our enterprising and popular undertaker, J. J. Calhoun, at her home. The body was taken to Boston, Mass., by her son, T. H. Thornton, on Saturday, Feb. 16th, on the 9 10 a. m. train. The funeral took place from the residence of her only sister, Mrs. Alice Moens, No. 6 Juniper St., Brookline, Mass., the funeral service and mass from the Saint Mary's Roman Catholic Church of the Assumption, Brookline, Mass., Rev. Father Butler officiating. She was buried in the Thornton family lot, Calvary Cemetery.

SOUTH WATERFORD.

Mrs. John Atherton is in quite poor health.

Walter Noble has returned home from Orono.

Edna Haynes is visiting Alice Plummer of Sweden.

The lumbering business is about suspended at the snow is so deep.

Packard's Orchestra gave a dance at Sweden, last Saturday evening.

Winnie Kneeland has returned home from New Hampshire where she has been teaching school.

We have several water privileges in town, but none of them are doing much except W. W. Watson, who is doing quite a business in sawing split strips and salt boxes.

Messrs. Emerson and Kneeland, the mill men at the foot of Bear Pond, have the contract to furnish lumber for the new block at Bridgton in place of the P. O. building just burned.

Harry Watson and sister were out riding the other day. As it was pretty hot and traveling the boys thought that he would rather go along without a load than with one, so dropped them out and went alone. No damage was done.

The Robinson Glass Blowers have been in town about a week. They have a nice entertainment. Any one who has never seen any thing of the kind, it is well worth their time to see them. After the entertainment they have dancing and fine music. Prizes were given for the best lady and gentleman dancer, won by Jennie Hamlin and Leon York. They are boarding at M. Murren's while in town.

EAST STONEHAM.—Mrs. Ephraim McAllister is still on the sick list.

Edith McAllister is staying with her sister, Mrs. Mabel Barker.

James DeCoster of Gilead, visited a David Keniston's, this week.

Mary, Shain* has returned from East Waterford, where she has been visiting her grandmother.

John Lord was in town, this week, buying cows. He bought two of J. Bartlett, one of Frank McAllister and one of Fernando McAllister.

BIRTHS.

In East Hiram, Feb. 17, to the wife of Elmer Black, a daughter.

In North Paris, Feb. 19, to the wife of Ernest 16, a daughter.

In North Paris, Feb. 18, to the wife of Harris Klingwood, a son.

In North Paris, Feb. 12, to the wife of George L. Wadlin, a son.

In Rumford Falls, Feb. 4, to the wife of V. A. Linnell, a son.

In Rumford Falls, Feb. 11, to the wife of Daniel P. Felt, a daughter.

In Newry, Feb. 11, to the wife of Frank Williams, a son.

In South Paris, Feb. 20, to the wife of Eben Marshall, a son.

MARRIAGES.—In Norway, Feb. 23, by Rev. B. S. Rideout, Harry E. Tutts and Lucie M. French, both of Norway.

In Hanover, Feb. Mark A. Elliott of Rumford, Point and Laura Smith of Hanover.

In Oxford, Feb. 12, Daniel P. Salmon, M. Paige, George H. Johnson and Etuel M. Hayford, both of Canton.

DEATHS.—In North Paris, Feb., Mrs. David Young, aged 75 years.

In Naples, Feb. 14, Edmund Mann, aged 75 years.

In Franklin Plantation, Feb. 15, Mrs. Ann Thornton, aged 69 years, 10 months, 4 days.

In Boston, Feb. 11, Mrs. Wilson Lawrence, formerly of Albany.

In Oxford, Feb. 11, Mrs. Seth Keane, aged 78 years.

In Oxford, Feb. 12, Daniel P. Salmon.

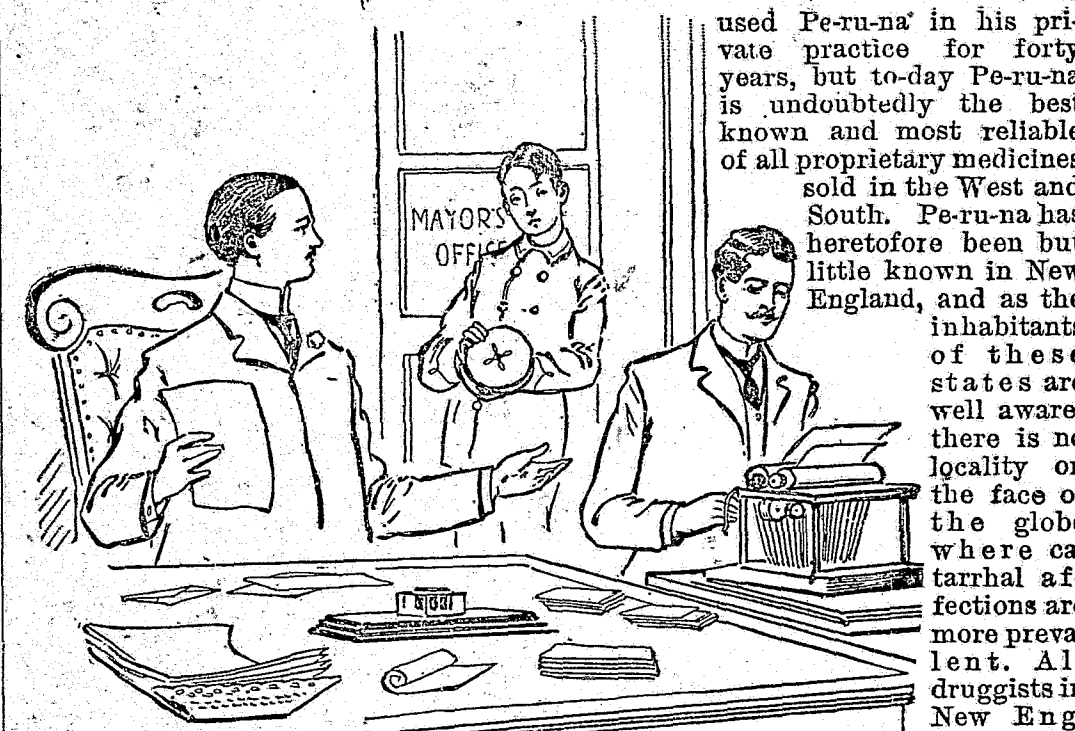
In Sweden, Feb. 7, Charles Berry, aged 76 years.

In Waterford, Feb. 13, Joel S. Plummer, aged about 65 years.

MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

Hon. Samuel L. Black, Mayor of Columbus, O., Introduces Pe-ru-na and its Inventor to Us.

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The Hon. Samuel L. Black, Mayor of Columbus, Ohio, puts himself on record as an advocate of Pe-ru-na. His introduction of the famous remedy and of its discoverer, will doubtless interest the people of New England. Mayor Black's letter reads as follows:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT.
CITY OF COLUMBUS.

SAMUEL L. BLACK, Mayor,
JAMES A. FANNING, Secretary,
HAYES L. JONES, Stenographer.

To whom it may concern:

"I most cheerfully recommend Pe-ru-na as of the greatest possible benefit in cases of catarrh and other diseases of the mucous membrane. This remedy has established itself in the minds of the people as of the greatest possible worth and genuineness. I have known Dr. Hartman for a number of years and am pleased to say that he is one of the leading citizens of this city—a man of the very highest standing and character in the community.

Respectfully,
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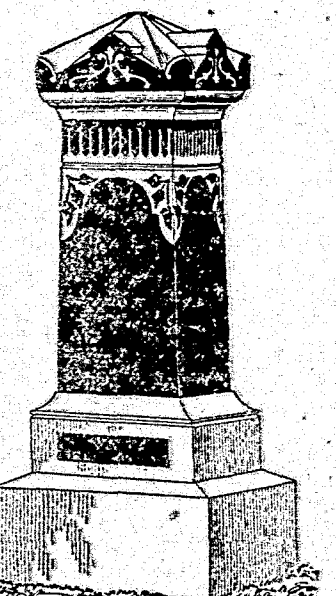
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TOMPKINS.

By P. DEMING.

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"Yes, I will," responded Tompkins.

"After I came back to college got along better than before I had taught. The money I received for teaching helped me, and another thing aided me. The folks in Wilmington found out how a poor young man works to get through college. Some of us used to live on \$1 a week apiece and board ourselves in our rooms down there in the buildings, and we were doing the hardest kind of studying at the same time. We would often club together, one doing the cooking for five or six. The cook would get off without paying. It was one of the most delightful things in the world to see a tall young man in a call-so dressing gown come out on the green, where we would be playing football, and make the motions of beating an imaginary gong for dinner. In order to appreciate it you need to work hard and play hard and live on the slimmest kind of New England fare. But there is one thing even better than that. To experience the most exquisite delight ever known by a Burlington student you ought to have an Uncle Jason. While I was teaching in Wilmington my Uncle Jason, from North Elba, which was close by, came there. When he found out what an important man I was and how I was fighting my way, he sympathized wonderfully. He was not on good terms at our house, but he called at my school and almost cried over me. He was not a man of much learning, but he looked upon those who were educated as a superior order of beings. I was regarded in the neighborhood as a sort of martyr to science, a genius who was working himself to death. I was the only public man ever produced by the settlement up to that date. It was part of the religion of the place to look upon me as something unusual, and Uncle Jason shared the general feeling. I could see, as he sat there in the school-house observing the school, that he was very proud of me. Before leaving he called me into the entry and gave me a \$2 bill. It was generous, for he was a poor man and had his wife and children to support. It brought tears to my eyes when he handed me the money and told me I was the flower of the family and the pride of the settlement. I felt as if I would rather die than fail of fulfilling the expectations of my friends. There was great delight in it, and it was an inexpressible joy to know that my relatives and the neighbors cared so much for me.

"To comprehend this thing fully, Mrs. Pember, you ought to be in college, and when you are getting hard up, and see no way but to leave, get letters, as I did from Uncle Jason, with \$5 or \$6 at a time in them. Such a trifle would carry you through to the end of the term and save your standing in the class. If you were a Burlington college boy, while you might be willing to depart this life in honorable manner, you would not be willing to lose your mark and standing as a student. You would regard the consequences of such a disaster as very damaging to your character and certain to remain with you forever.

"I may as well say, while it is on my mind, that I do think this matter of education is a little overdone in this part of the country. A young man is not the center of the universe merely because he is a college student or a graduate, and it is not worth while to scare him with such an idea. The only way he can meet the expectation of his friends under such circumstances is to get run over accidentally by the cars. That completes his martyrdom and affords his folks an opportunity to boast of what he would have been had he lived."

"Tell us more about Lucy," said Mrs. Pember.

"Yes, certainly," replied Tompkins.

"Lucy had a wonderful idea of poetry and writing. It is really alarming to a stranger to see the feeling there is up here in that way. The impression prevails generally that a writer is superior to all other people on earth. I remember to have heard that one of our class, a year after we were graduated, started a newspaper back here about ten miles, on the bank of the Onion river. He might just as well have started it under a sagbrush out on the alkali plains. He gave it some queer Greek name, and I heard that the publication was first a semi-weekly, then weekly and then very weakly indeed until it came to a full stop at the end of six months. It would have been ridiculous anywhere else, but being an attempt at literature I suppose it was looked upon here as respectable."

"And did you use to write poetry?" queried Mrs. Pember.

"Not to any dangerous extent," replied Tompkins. "I do not deny that I tried while in college, but I reformed when I went west. I think Uncle Jason always had an idea that it might be better for me to be a Daniel Webster. He stood by me after I left college, and for three years I continued to get those letters, with \$5 or \$6 at a time in them. They kept me from actual suffering sometimes, before I got down off my stilts and went to work, like an honest man, in the pork business."

"I thought you were going to tell us something about that girl," suggested Mrs. Pember.

"Yes, I was," rejoined Tompkins.

"When I saw Lucy here, four years ago, in the gallery with the singers, I felt as if it would be impossible for me to face her and talk with her. She would not have known me, for one thing. When I was a brown haired boy, making poetry and being a martyr and doing serenading and living on codfish and crackers and soup, I could meet Lucy with a grand air that made her shudder, but as I sat there in church, gray and worn, I dreaded to catch her eye or have her see me. Although there was not three years' difference in our ages, yet it seemed to me that I was very old, while she was still blooming. Then there was the feeling that I had not become a great poet or orator or anything really worth while.

On the contrary, I was just nobody. It seemed like standing my own funeral. I felt disgraced. Of course it was not all true. I had been a good, square, honest, hardworking man."

"Yes, you had indeed, Timothy," assented Mrs. Pember, with an emphatic nod.

"Yes, indeed I had," repeated Tompkins, his chin quivering. "It was not the thing for a fair minded man to think so poorly of himself, but I was alone, and the old associations and the solemn services were impressive. There was my best to swallow the lump in my throat. It was as tough a 60 minutes as I ever passed. But finally the services were ended. I felt that it was plainly my duty to stop in the porch and claim the recognition of my friends. I did pause and try for a few seconds to collect myself, but the lump grew bigger and choked me, while the tears would flow. Besides that, as the adversary just then, in the meanest possible manner, suggested to my soul, there was that pang I did not mind talking freely with a landlord, for hotels and boarding houses had been my home in Chicago. I had always been a single man, just as I am to this day. This landlord was a good hearted old chap, and it was pleasant to talk with him. While we were sitting there who should come along the street but Lucy, with a book in her hand. She was on the opposite sidewalk

and did not look up. She would not look at a hotel on Sunday. I asked the landlord about her, and he told me all there was to tell. She was living in one end of a little wooden cottage over toward Winooski, another factory woman occupying the other part of the house. They made a home together. The landlord said Lucy was an excellent woman and might have married one of the owners in the factory any time she chose for years back, but that she preferred a single life.

"When I got back to Chicago, I kept thinking about Lucy Cary. The old times when we used to live in Wilmington came back to my mind. The truth of it was I was getting along a little at last in Chicago in the way of property, and I found myself all the while planning how I could have Lucy Cary near me."

"Did you want to marry her, Timothy?" inquired Mrs. Pember.

"It was not that," he replied, "but I wanted to become acquainted with her again. I knew she was the best girl I had ever seen. She was just as good and pious as anybody could be. We were like brother and sister, almost, when young, and when I thought of home and my folks and old Wilmington and the college days somehow Lucy was the center of it all. In fact, almost everything else was gone. My folks were scattered, and Lucy and Uncle Jason were nearly the only persons left in the way that I could lay claim to. There is a kind of lone, some streak comes over a man when he has been grinding away in a great city for a good many years and comes back to the old places and sees them so fresh and green and quiet, and he can't get over it. He will cling to anything that belongs to old times. I was strongly influenced to write to Lucy, but I finally did not. I determined that I would get all I could for two or three years, and then I would come home and face things. I would get something comfortable and would have a place of my own in Chicago. Then, when I had it fixed, I would come and see Uncle Jason and Lucy and stand the racket. Of course it was nonsense to feel shy, but it seemed to me that I could not say a word until I had something to brag of. They knew, in a general way, that I was in Chicago, dealing in pork or doing auctioneering or something, and that was as much humiliation as I could endure. To be so near them and not be able to say a word to them was nothing to be ashamed of, for I had been an honest, faithful man, but to come back to my friends empty handed, without money or fame, and gray headed at that, was more than I could stand. If I had had anything or been anything, just to take the edge off, I could have managed it. As it was, I looked ahead and worked. If any man in Chicago has tried and planned and toiled during the last three years, I am that man. There has been a picture before my mind of a pleasant home here."

"And have you calculated to marry Lucy Cary?" inquired Mrs. Pember in an eager voice.

"Perhaps it was not just in that way I thought of it," replied the narrator, very seriously. "You know, I told you that the landlord said she preferred a

single life."

"Timothy Tompkins," exclaimed the old lady apprehensively, "don't deny it—don't! Think how dreadfully you will feel if you know you have told a lie!"

"It is nothing to be ashamed of, Timothy," said Mr. Pember in a kind and sympathetic voice.

"If you put it in that way," answered my old classmate in straggly mournful tones, "all I can say is there was never anything between us; nothing at all."

"And did you come here this time to see her?" inquired Mrs. Pember, almost starting from her seat and with the thrill of a sudden guess in her voice.

"I suppose it was as much that as anything," replied Tompkins doggedly, looking down and poking with a short stick in the ground at his feet.

"And that is what has made you act so queer," mused Mrs. Pember.

"Have you seen her?"

"Let him tell the story, Caroline," urged the old gentleman peevishly.

Tompkins looked gloomily out upon the lake and the broad landscape for a few moments, and then, resuming his narrative, said:

"As I was saying, I have worked hard and have got a nice little pile. I am worth \$35,000. When I made up my mind to come east this summer, the money to pay Uncle Jason for what he had done was all ready. It made me choke to think how long I had let it run. I figured it up as near as I could, the \$200 that I was to me in the college and the \$900 after that—and I put in the simple interest at 7 per cent, according to the York state law, which brought the sum total up to nearly \$900, and to fix it all right I made it an even \$1,000. Then I bought a new buckskin bag and went to a bank in Chicago and got the money all in gold. I knew that would please Uncle Jason. He once talked of going to California to dig. I suppose he had never seen a pile of the real yellow coin in his life. I wrote to him that I was to be in Burlington and that I would be ever so glad if he would come over and see me. I met him yesterday afternoon as he got off the boat, down at the steamboat landing. He knew me, and I knew him, although we were both changed a good deal. After we had talked a little and got used to each other I took him up to my room in the hotel. I was in a hurry to get at the business part of my visit with him first, for it seemed to me that it would be better to let him see, to begin with, that I was not exactly poor nor such an ungrateful cub as maybe he had thought I was. It was my resolve that before we talked of anything else I would get that money off my conscience. I knew that then I could hold up my head and discuss our neighbors and old times, and it would be plain sailing for me. I had pictured to my mind a dozen times how Uncle Jason would look with that new yellow buckskin bag crammed with gold on his knee, steadying it with his hand talking to me. So when I got him up to my room and seated him in a chair, I began the performance. I got red in the face and stuttered and flourished round with the bag and the gold, and to tell the truth I fully expected to make the old man's hair rise right up. But it did not work. He got shaky and trembled and somehow did not seem to want the money at all and finally owned how it was. He said that he had never given me a cent. It was all Lucy Cary's doing. And she had made him promise on his oversteering Bible oath, as he called it, that he would not tell. She had put him up to the whole thing. Even that first \$2 bill had come from her wages."

My old classmate ceased speaking. He was becoming flushed and excited. He gazed abstractedly at the broad blue mirror of old Champlain, upon which he and I had looked together so often in the days of our youth.

Mrs. Pember sat silently. Mrs. Pember was whimpering behind her hand and keeling.

I ventured the inquiry, "Have you seen Lucy yet?"

Tompkins' face quivered. He was silent.

Mrs. Pember's interest in the question restored her. "Tell us, have you seen her?" she asked.

"I heard of it yesterday," Tompkins replied huskily, with an effort.

"Why, Timothy, what is the matter?" cried Mrs. Pember, rising from her seat and coming to him as he bent his head and buried his face in his hands. The motherly woman took off his soft hat, and stroking his hair said: "You had better tell it. It will do you good." And then she put his hat on again and stood wiping her eyes in sympathy, while he struggled with himself.

The storm of feeling passed away, and Tompkins, having gained control of his emotions, slowly lifted his face from his hands and sat peering under his hat brim, looking apparently at a boat upon the lake. At last he said in a calm voice: "She's dead."

It was very still after this announcement. The softest breath of June scarcely whispered in the pines overhead, and the vast landscape below seemed strangely at rest in the fervid brightness of the summer noon.

My old classmate was the first to break the silence.

"Well," said he wearily, "it must be about time for dinner. Let us go to the hotel."

We took the little brown road and walked down a long and shaded, quiet street. Memories of college days and romantic summer nights, with music and starlight and the long, long thoughts of youth, came back to me as I looked at the houses and gardens familiar in college days and chatted about them with Mrs. Pember.

"Timothy always means well," said she to me, confidentially reverting to the subject of which all were thinking; "but it was very wrong for him to neglect that poor factory girl, don't you think so?"

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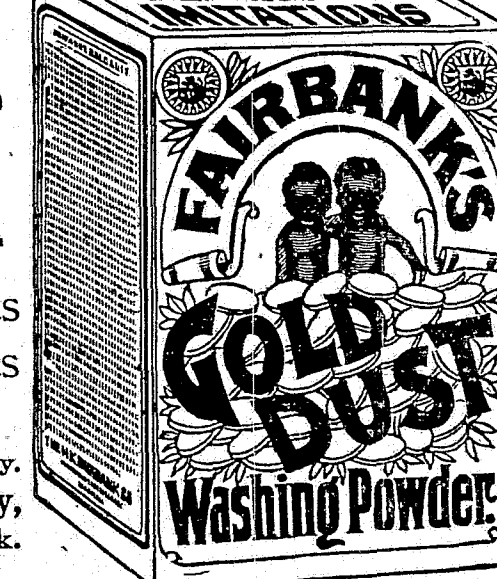
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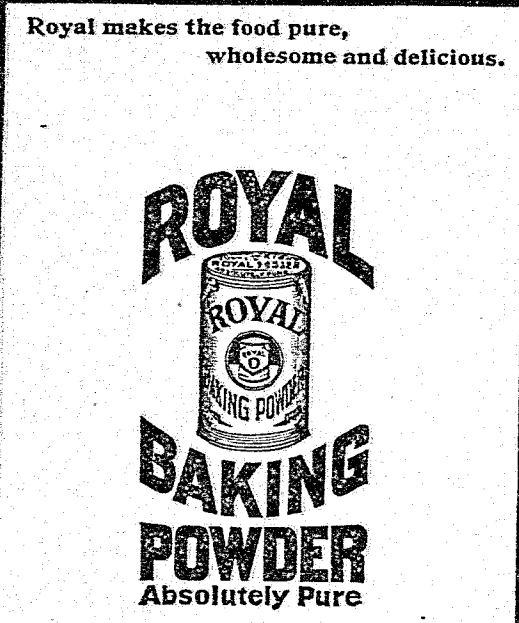
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Services were held, Sunday the 13th, at P. A. Flint's, by Rev. S. S. York assisted by Alva Noyes of Colbrook. Harry Pennock presided at the organ.

J. W. Clark was gone to Berlin eight days, returning home, Saturday, after spawing from the Auburn and Green Lake hatcheries for the Parmachenee Club.

The snow storm of Wednesday was variously estimated at from 12 to 18 inches. Owing to the high wind of Thursday the snow was badly drifted. The roads were not broken out until Friday.

M. D. Sturtevant's teams have finished hauling from the stump and choppers discharged. They have yarded timber that will keep the teams busy for another month, at the Abbott brook camp.

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WEST PARIS.

Homer Carr is having the chicken pox. Irene Adams was at Norway, last Saturday.

Harrison Childs is on the sick list with pneumonia. Mrs. Mitchell is seriously ill with pneumonia at this writing.

There are quite a number around here that are having the annual run of rug fever.

Several of the teachers from around here attended the teachers' meeting at South Paris, last Saturday.

Rev. F. E. Wheeler, Universalist, will preach at the Baptist church, next Sunday, the 27th, at half past ten.

Mrs. A. T. Sloan and little daughter Margaret arrived home from their visit to Lynn, Mass., Saturday evening.

Clarence Curtis returned to Boston, Monday morning, after a week's vacation with his mother, Mrs. A. R. Bucknam.

Interest is running high at the Grange contest and the workers are doing their best. Two more meetings will decide who gets the dinner.

Alden Day, who went to the Maine General Hospital at Portland for treatment, a week ago last Monday, had a successful operation and is reported as doing as well as could be expected. His wife is with him.

The contest at the Rebekah Lodge commenced, Tuesday evening the 15th, and promises to be full of interest. It will continue through three more meetings and then the defeated side will furnish the supper.

WEST LOVELL.

This week Tuesday there was a surprise party at Dayton Irish's.

Mrs. Victor H. McAllister is spending a week in Norway. They were entertained with a surprise party.

Mrs. W. Andrews came from Boston, Wednesday, stopped over night at Fryeburg Corner, and from there on the stage to Lovell village, Thursday, and got as far as Mrs. Elliott's on snow shoes. Friday a. m., he continued his trip in the same way.

LOVELL.

Seth Hutchins is sick with la grippe.

Mrs. Bessie Stearns is home from Rockland, Mass.

The municipal officers are making out the town reports.

The ring fever has appeared in our village, some bad cases.

M. K. Bemis is up around the house but has not been out yet.

Adelbert Stearns is at West Lovell, hauling timber for John Fox.

Clayton Littlefield is at work in the woods for the Morrisons in Sweden.

A. R. Davis is at work in the woods for Davis & Chandler on the Shave Hill road.

Adelbert McAllister is at work at the Iron Mountain House, Jackson, N. H., where he was last season.

We had the worst storm, last week the 10th, that Lovell has had for years. The roads were completely blocked. The roller started from the village to go to No. 4, Friday morning, with six horses and got up to the Walker place and put on two more. They had twelve shovellers. They got there at half past twelve, a distance of one mile and a half. And from other parts of the town come reports of trees blown across the roads and large drifts.

The short piece of road from George Smith's leading to the Harbor is drifted 15 feet deep and will not be opened, as people can go around by the branch road leading from Mr. Smith's to the village. It will cost \$200 to break the roads through town. And yet they said we should have an open winter.

Benj. Russell, jr., has been doing some work for Mellen Eastman on his house.

Rev. Mr. Young did not get to the Center for the afternoon service, Sunday.

The Odd Fellows had work in the degrees, Saturday evening, and a supper afterwards.

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Mrs. Harwood is remembered by every one here as one of Norway's best girls and we wish her a long and prosperous life.

ALBANY.

Tyler T. Cole has lamed one of his horses.

Abel Andrews has been at work for Fred Skinner, cutting timber.

Sumner and Arthur Bean have got their spool strips nearly all hauled.

The great question now being discussed is who will be elected road commissioner at the next March meeting.

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The sad news of the death of Mrs. Wilson Lawrence of Boston reached here, last week. She died, Feb. 11th, very sudden, leaving two small children, the eldest being only 16 months. Mr. Lawrence has the sympathy of his friends here as he was formerly an Albany man.

The case that was mentioned, last fall, in the Advertiser about D. A. Cummings selling mortgaged property to W. E. Brooks of Oxford has been settled in favor of D. A. Cummings. This trip did not prove quite so successful to the estate buyer Brooks as his former trip did several years ago.

The great snow storm of Feb. 15th is over but the roads in many districts are impassable. Wednesday and Thursday we had no mail. This will probably be the heaviest snow fall for the town that we have had for years. The cream gatherer has only made one trip for a week, and telling when he will make another. No ladies' circle, last week, at the vestry.

UPTON.

No new cases of the measles.

W. T. Warren's little child has been sick with a bad cold.

Elmer E. Twitwell and wife of Oxford visited at A. W. Judkins', last week.

Joe Brooks went to Magalloway last week with a load of beef, also fresh fish.

The ladies meet at Mrs. Alvah Coolidge's, Tuesday, to tack puts and finish the outfit quilt for the society's fair.

Leforest Bragg purchased a blood-hound last fall for which he paid some over \$20. We understand he has killed it, as he could not keep it from chasing deer.

Thursday night and all of Wednesday of last week, we enjoyed a big snow storm, then the wind made sport with it, after that a calm: then all the men had a social time exercising their muscles clearing away through drifts. I won't tell the boys for you, but I think it a "fish story." The stage could not get through until Saturday, 10 a. m. Sunday, another storm set in and, Wednesday, was still snowing.

PORTER VILLAGE.

Leonard Chamberlain has returned to his home in Boston.

Wm. Philbrick and wife have charge of the town farm another year.

Charles Roberts and wife were made happy a few days ago by a baby boy.

John Keniston it quite sick. It is feared he will have to have his foot taken off.

Benj. Clough of South Eppingham has been to work for A. C. Stanley, cutting timber for a few days.

Mrs. Alice Stacy has been suffering with a very bad finger caused by running a machine needle through it.

Jos. Rice met with an accident while cutting wood. A large stick struck him on the head, knocked him down and cut a deep gash. He will have to lay by a few days.

Rev. A. G. Davis and wife are with us again. He preaches a very interesting sermon. Sunday morning it was to the point, and this is what we need. In the evening there was a meeting very long to be remembered. There were several backsliders reclaimed. A refreshing time, indeed to those who were there.

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FRYEBURG.

The winter term of the public schools closes, Friday.

Miss K. E. Abbott has returned from New Gloucester.

James Tarbox spent Sunday at his home in Fryeburg.

Secretary B. W. McKen spent Sunday at his home in town.

Mrs. E. P. Weston is home from a visit in Massachusetts.

Robert Eocke of Portland spent the past week in Fryeburg.

Miss A. L. Gilnes is home from her school in Wolfboro, N. H.

There is to be a mock town meeting in New Church Hall, March 4.

The members of the Y. P. S. C. E. are preparing an entertainment.

"Hickory Farm" will be presented at the New Church Hall, Monday evening.

The athletic exhibition given by the students of the academy was very successful.

The ladies of the Congregational Society are preparing the drama, Mr. T. Tibbets from South Lewiston occupied the desk, last Sabbath, and gave a very interesting discourse. Dame Rumors says he came as a candidate to fill the place of Rev. W. L. Braden whose time expires, next Sabbath. Mr. Braden went to York county, last Sabbath, to obtain a situation where a society has no preacher at present.

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Mrs. George Dingley has gone to Massachusetts.

Carrie Gilkey from Harrison is at work for Stephen Jilison.

Levi Dingley and wife from Casco spent the Sabbath at E. R. Stone's.

Mrs. Carrie M. Wood has a calla lily which has one blossom and six buds.

Joseph Velue has returned from Richmond where he has been at work.

Anna Scribner from Portland is visiting her mother, Mrs. Wm. T. Scribner.

Nat Warren and J. B. Scribner are at work finishing off M. V. B. Jilison's new house.

Mrs. Mary J. Day has returned from New Hampshire where she has been visiting her mother who is very sick.

CASCO.

Alta Haskell of Windham was the guest of Leona Page a few days, last week.

Mrs. H. M. Nichols and children visited Mrs. Walter Hamlin of Plover Ridge, last Tuesday.

Cynthia Jordan of Mayberry Hill is canvassing again, this year for wall paper. She has some very pretty samples.

The Poland Praying Band held their meeting at Cook's Mills, the 12th and 13th. Quite a number from this place attended.

The school at the village closed, last week, with literary and other exercises. Speeches of the teacher, Grace Spurr of Oakeside, and Misses All acquired themselves with credit.

The W. C. T. U. had a baked bean supper and sociable in Warren's Hall, Feb. 19. Quite a number were present. Edward Pride and Frank Chute furnished music for the occasion.

The Baptist circle of Raymond held their last session, on Wednesday the 9th, at Mrs. Mark L. Leach's. Twenty-four from Raymond being present. The singing school of Casco was also invited, some being present. Thirty-six were seated at a bountiful dinner, after which the afternoon was spent very pleasantly in music, readings by Mrs. L. A. Jordan, Belle J. Leach and Mr. McLeod.

HARTFORD.

All the sick ones seem to be gaining.

Aaron Cox has gone to work on Sumner Hill.

Emery Parson's family, who have nearly all been sick, seem to be recovering.

Edward Cox who has been cutting ice for A. K. Trask of Peru returned home, Saturday.

Chauncey Osgood, George Brown, Orlando Irish and Arthur Briggs sold some beef cows and calves, recently.

E. Moody who has been at work in Ramford Falls has returned home to work on the section, we understand.

Peter Gautier who has been hauling wood to the Center returned to his home in Turner, recently, to wait until it gets done snowing.

NORTH PARIS.

Severe colds are prevailing.

C. H. Lawrence remains about the same.

Lynn Bartlett of Bethel was at H. W. Dunham's, Feb. 21.

The severe storms have put a stop to business of all kinds. Breaking roads is now in order.

Lena Lowe from Randolph, N. H., has been visiting at Fred Lovell's. His daughter Gladys returned with her.

Since last I sent items to the Advertiser, Mrs. David Young, who has been sick for so long time, has passed over, aged 82 years. In her last hours she was tenderly cared for by her daughters, Mrs. Anna Morse and Mrs. Jennie West.

SNOW'S FALLS.

It is rumored that Will Gaetz has bought the Levi D. Stearns farm.

Robert E. Shaw is at work firing on the engine stationed at West Paris.

Mrs. Ellen Curtis and son Bert of South Paris visited at B. C. Curtis', last week.

Walter L. Curtis recently returned from Oskama, N. B., where he has been since October.

It has taken the whole force in this neighborhood to keep the roads open since the series of blizzards commenced and at this writing they are blocked.

Please send us a copy of your town report. We wish to look them over.

EAST HEBRON.

Mrs. O. N. Jenkins from North Auburn is in the place.

W. H. Berry and daughter went to Anson, last week, to visit relatives.

Mrs. Marcus Sampson from Turner stays with Mrs. Braden in her husband's absence.

Our roads were not passable until Friday afternoon, the snow was so heavy. Nearly two feet fell.

Since Judge Foster decided a certain case in court, last week, all are looking for a grand reception in the near future.

May Phillips was called to West Auburn, last week, by the sickness of her brother, B. C. Phillips' son with pneumonia.

Gilbert says, a certain young man reminds him of a pig dog that wants to do nothing but sit around and be entertained.

Mrs. Bennie Keene is seriously ill and growing worse, from a brain trouble. Some fear congestion of the brain. Her recovery is not expected by her friends.

Several young men after the big storm found what they called bear tracks and quickly equipped themselves with snow shoes, rifles, ammunition, etc., and started in hot pursuit, until at last one examined the track and found it was nothing but a dog track.

Maud E. Robinson, after school closed, came from her uncle's in Poland with a two years old colt alone, last week, to her father's, Dr. A. E. Robinson's, to pass her vacation of several weeks. No one but herself ever held a rein over the colt. He minds well or takes a lesson from her, and is obliged to obey orders.

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